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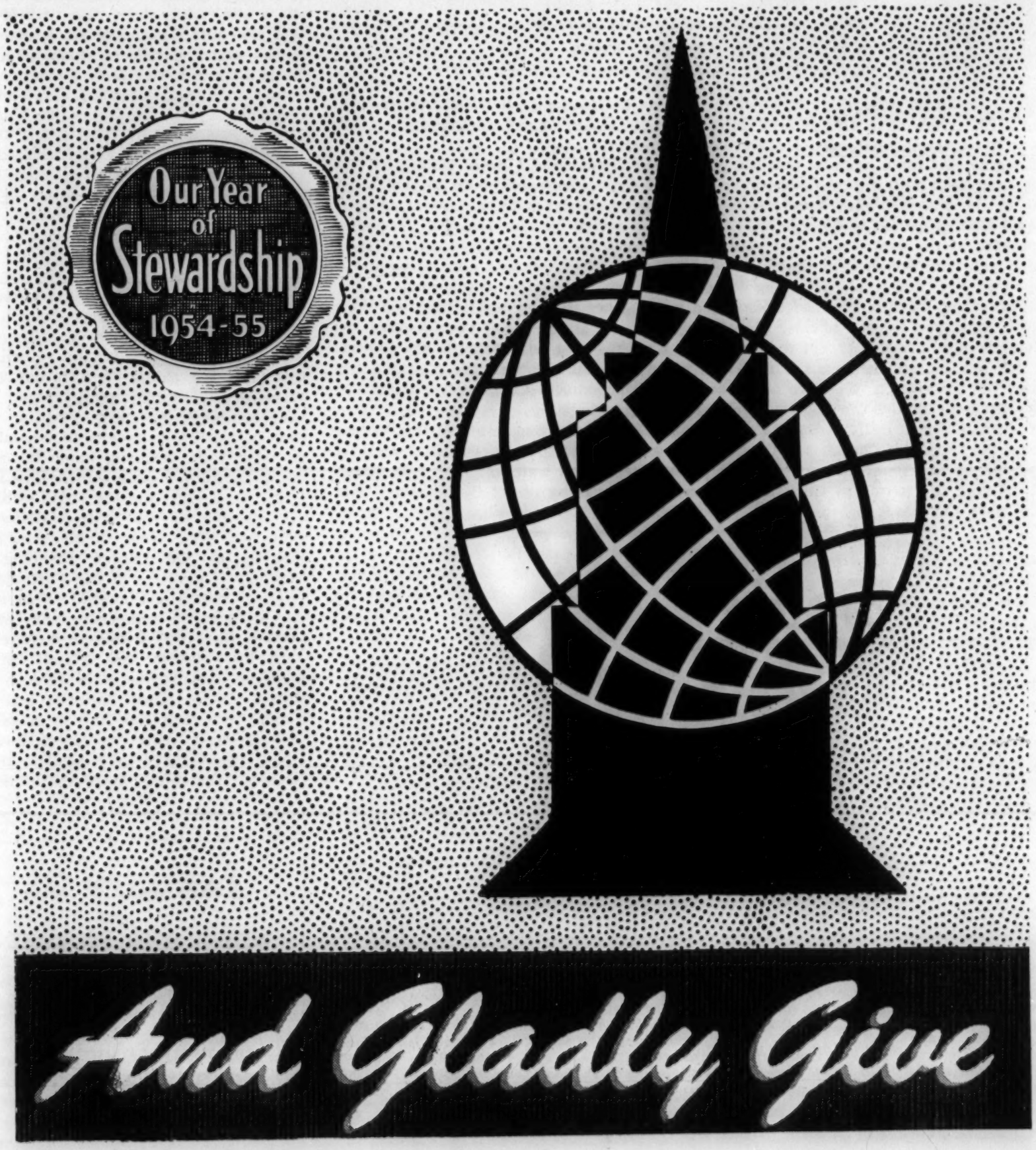

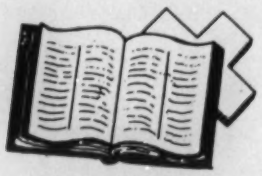

The EDITOR Speaks

"Let's Close the Switch"

Guest Editorial, by Donald L. Helseth
Minister, Corvallis, Oregon
Chairman of State Convention Program Committee

Here in the Northwest we are blessed with an abundance of hydro-electric power. The great rivers have always been here, but it is only in recent years that man has begun to harness a small portion of the available power.

Imagine just for a moment that the great dams—Bonneville, Grand Coulee, and the rest—had been built and the generators installed. Power lines were built to your town and up the street to your house. Your house was wired and electric fixtures plugged in. All that remained to be done was to close the switch on your box and the power generated at the dam would light your home and run the many modern conveniences which you had. Somewhere you got the idea, however, that it was not important to use electricity. You would get along without the lights, hot water heater, range, radio, television set, vacuum cleaner, clocks, and many other devices dependent upon that power. Thus, you refused to close the switch and to use the power at your disposal.

Sounds silly, doesn't it? Yet that is exactly what we have been doing in the church. By our actions, at least, we say that it is up to us to furnish both the plan and the power for the church. We have beeen content with mediocre Christianity, instead of powerful and effective Christianity, which it was meant to be.

The State Board Rally in Eugene on January 10 pointed out some of the possibilities facing the Christian Churches of Oregon if we make use of the power of God which is available to us. These are magnificent possibilities. They wait only for one simple act—closing the switch by Christians of Oregon and making use of God's power. This is our part. Let's do it together!

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ADDING UP THE ACTIVITIES OF ADDLEMAN

The first eleven days of December were spent out of the State. I attended the National Association of State Secretaries in Des Moines, Iowa, December 3 - 5. It was my privilege to bring the Woman's Day message at St. Charles, where Fred Evans is the student minister while attending the Drake Divinity School. Fred is doing well both in school and church. It was a joy to visit with him and his family. I also had a short visit with Everett and Lorraine Cecil. Everett is attending school and Lorraine is working in the State Office. Loren Lair, Executive Secretary of Iowa, arranged for about 25 State Secretaries to bring the Woman's Day messages in churches in and around Des Moines. Iowa will likely never be the same again. Two special pullmans were set aside for the secretaries and we journeyed on to St. Louis, Missouri, for other meetings. It was my privilege to sit in on a meeting of Unified Promotion on Monday, meet with the committee on new churches Monday evening, and attend the Home and State Missions Council sessions Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Stopped off at Nyssa on my return trip, met with the elders on Saturday night, preached Sunday morning, shared in a congregational afternoon meeting, and then held conferences with individuals until train time. Arriving home the morning of the 13th, I spent a little time in the office, then shared in the board of directors meeting of the Oregon Council of Churches. Then went to Menucha for a meeting of the Church Planning and Strategy Committee of the Portland and Oregon Council of Churches. Went to Cedar Hills for a conference with church leaders, then to Corvallis for a conference with Ray Hewitt and Claude Bryant, stopping enroute for a conference with Robert Mulkey. Spent Saturday night and Sunday the 18th and 19th in Hermiston in conference with the elders and the church. Seven days were spent in the office with the usual run of conferences.

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NEWS AND PICTURE DEADLINE

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Annual Convocation Sponsored by Oregon Council of Churches

February 1 - 3 is the date for the convocation this year. It will be held in the First Methodist Church in Eugene. Some of the top leadership in the churches of America will be on the program. It will be worth the time of any of our men in the state to attend. Our men were conspicuous by their absence last year when a like convocation was held in Salem. We urge you to plan your schedule so as to take in most of the sessions this year. You will be receiving full announcement about it through the mail from the office of the Oregon Council of Churches.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Smith on left receiving golden key to the new parsonage from Harold Thurston, chairman of the Board.

NEWPORT CELEBRATES 30TH ANNIVERSARY

The church at Newport celebrated its 30th Anniversary and the dedication of the new parsonage, December 12th, reports Ray C. Smith, minister at Newport, Oregon. Greetings were read from many former ministers and members living elsewhere, including Lertis Ellett, Lawrence Wells, and others. Don Helseth of Corvallis brought greetings from that church. C.F. Swander, state secretary at the time the church was started by John B. Hoag in 1924, was guest speaker at the morning service and led in the dedication.

Among other ministers who either held pastorates or conducted evangelistic services in the church since 1924 were listed Francis Arant, Lawrence Wells, Stephen Elliott, Dennis Rickard, Clarence Reynolds, Wilbur Torgerson, Lloyd Balfour, H. E. Knott, W. F. Nankivell, A. A. Beery, A. Word, Elery Parrish, G. E. Williams, Ervin Harris, Eldon Wiidenan, F. W. Zook, Wes Goucher, Dallas Meserve, Ed Dewees, and the Tan Ditters.

The property was originally bought from a Baptist group for $1,000.00 with considerable help from the Oregon Christian Missionary Convention, and has been improved and developed to its present value of more than 20 times that amount, including 150 feet of frontage and the parsonage property. Present improvement projects involve extensive building extensions and new hardwood pews and pulpit furniture.

NINETY AND NINE MEN'S BROTHERHOOD

—By Ed Dewees

The North Willamette District Ninety and Nine Men closed their 1954 schedule of meetings with the regular rally at Dallas Christian Church on December 27. Roll call revealed 73 in attendance for the excellent dinner and program of the evening. The perils of "Religion by Remote Control" were ably presented in a skit provided by the host church, as "Sime Sledge" (who looked strangely like Ike Bartel) decided to sample his Sunday sermon via radio.

L. O. White, minister of the First Christian Church of Lebanon brought a challenge to personal re-dedication for the purpose of supporting the cause of Christ around the world. He proved to all that his bag of stones that "cry out" did not represent all of his souvenirs from his travels in Europe. Earl Gibbs brought a special solo and Leighton Dashiell was song leader for the meeting.

In the business meeting, the nominating committee was requested to continue its work to provide a slate of nominees for the January meeting, which will be held in the Liberty church. A fine response was made in the offering to help bring the state Ninety and Nine budget in balance. District president Harry Vetter, who is also the new financial secretary for the state, reports that receipts in November and December have helped to pay outstanding obligations, but reminds district and local officers that the job must still go on to accomplish the projects set for 1954-55. All offerings for the state should be forwarded to the state treasurer, Olaf Q. Paulson, Jr., P. O. Box 127, Silverton, Oregon.

Picture taken in the parsonage at dedication showing left to right: Ray and Helen Smith, pastors; Mrs. Jean Edwards Ehrlich and Mrs. Mary Fritts, two members of 1924 and 1925; C. F. Swander, guest speaker, state secretary at the time the church was started. Large cake built like a church was served to more than 60 guests.

Ray S. Hewitt

MEET THE NEW EDITOR OF THE OREGON CHRISTIAN

Dr. Ray S. Hewitt, professor in the English Department at Oregon State College. He grew up in the church at Milton-Freewater, where he served as a deacon. He attended college at Spokane University the last year it functioned, then transferred to the University of Oregon, where he received both his B.A. and M.A. degree in English. From Eugene he went to the University of California at Berkeley, where he received his Ph.D. degree in English. While taking his work in California he was active in First Christian Church, Oakland, serving as an elder. He taught in the University of Wyoming for two years and was active in the church at Laramie, serving as an elder. Since coming to Corvallis he has been active in First Church there. We feel we have made a real find in him, both in ability and understanding and interest in the church. He spent last summer editing for the Publications Office at Oregon State College. We are very happy to welcome him into the ranks of those who are really concerned about the future progress of the cause of Christ in the state of Oregon, and, as well, interested in the total outreach of the church.

WITH GRATEFUL APPRECIATION

We take this opportunity to express our appreciation for the many Christmas greetings and remembrances received from the many friends in Oregon and as well the greeting received from many state and national secretaries. It makes one realize and appreciate the wonderful fellowship we enjoy as a great brotherhood of the Disciples of Christ.

Charles H. Addleman

NORTHWEST CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

—By Ross J. Griffeth

In preparation for the World Convention of Churches of Christ, a study committee dealing with the Christian ministry has been meeting and preparing findings for further study of the subject. Dr. Ross J. Griffeth, President of Northwest Christian College, who was appointed by Dr..Jesse Bader, General Secretary of the World Convention, has served as chairman of this study committee. Others who have participated in the discussions and have contributed to the findings are Dr. C. C. Roberts, minister, Eugene First Christian Church; Wayne Green, minister, Salem First Christian; C. H. Addleman, General Secretary, Oregon Christian Missionary Convention; Professor William Richardson, and Professor John Boosinger, Northwest Christian College; Ernest Worden, minister, Springfield Christian Church; and Clarence C. Fuqua, Associate Minister, Salem First Christian.

The study of the ministry covers such matters as: the Priesthood of Believers; Ordination, in respect of such items as "by whom?" "duration of ordination," "qualifications." The results will be presented to the committee which is engaged in preparing the program for the World Convention which will meet next August 16-21 in Toronto.

A committee from the Oregon Council of Churches recently met with a committee representing Northwest Christian College relative to the possible establishment of preaching points at Vida on the McKenzie River and near Hells Gate Bridge on the Middle Fork of the Willamette River near West Fir. Students from Northwest Christian College have surveyed these areas and hope to be able to arrange for Bible Schools and preaching points to serve these communities which are not now adequately served.

. Enrollment of students in piano and organ work has been such that all practice rooms available were scheduled early during the enrollment period and a considerable waiting list has been established. When it is possible to erect the projected Library Building, some additional room will be made available for individual instruction in music.

Aprl 24, 1955, is to be Northwest Christian College Day in the churches of the Northwest. Last year Northwest Christian College, by use of students, faculty and staff, reached more congregations on a single day with a message on Christian Higher Education than any college in the U.S.A. This year it has been possible to schedule N.C.C. Day on the same day that is nationally designated Higher Education Sunday; hence it should be possible to reach an even larger number of congregations on that day. Now is the time to place this date on your church calendar.

Applications for admission to N.C.C. are now being received from high school seniors. The College would like to hear from those who are considering the beginning of their college work next fall. Just write to Northwest Christian College, Eugene, Oregon.

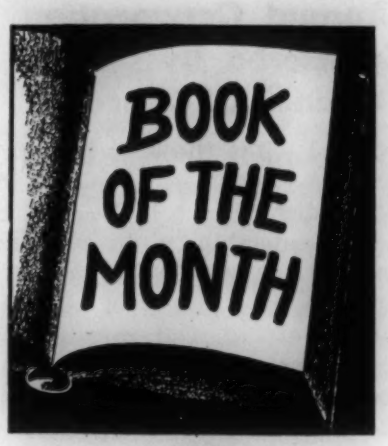
Ernest F. Wright

WIDELY KNOWN KERN PARK MEMBER DIES

Ernest F. Wright, a well-known Christian man in Portland and active member in the Kern Park Christian Church for years, died of a heart attack on January 5th. Mr. Wright served as bookkeeper for the Oregon Christian Missionary Convention for the last five years. It was the privilege of the State secretary to have worked very closely with him during his ministry at the Kern Park Church. Mr. Wright's ability being known, when the need arose for a bookkeeper he was immediately called to this place of service. Mr. Wright was educated at Drake University and spent most of his business career in the field of bookkeeping and accounting.

STEWARDSHIP FILM

The sound filmstrip, "STORY OF TWO DOLLARS", is excellent for showing during our stewardship emphasis period. It is a story of two dollar bills each given to a different person. "Two Dollars" expresses the need for stewardship of money ,and shows quite clearly that the attitude toward money is all-important. It may be rented from The Cokesbury Book Store, 521 S. W. 11th Avenue, Portland, or The Audio-Visual Services, U.C.M.S., 222 S. Downey Avenue, Indianapolis 7, Indiana. It shows for 20 minutes, and rents for $2.50.



THE TEACHING MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

—By James D. Smart

(Recommended by the Commission on the Promotion of Christian Literature)

Can the teaching endeavor of the church be kept distinct above current humanistic philosophy? Can education give the oncoming generation more than moralism, more than a weak and superificial ethical coating to life in that which is a pagan society? Can there be a union between education and theology? Can the entire church, adult as well as children, be continuously interested in learning about the Bible, in gaining knowledge of Christian history, in becoming strongly Christian in convictions and decisions? These are questions raised in this study — raised, and answered as ably as in any recent book touching upon purposes and scope of Christian education.

The author may go too far in assuming that a theological basis for education will be sufficient protection which prevents education from thinning down into vaguely hopeful, moralistic teaching. Unless the great beliefs about God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit are handled warmly, and vitally — as Dr. Smart handles them — they may be mere formulaes and leave the lives of children, young people, and adults about as non-religious as moralistic or humanistic teaching leaves them.

However, this is "the" book for all who are seriously interested in the policies of Christian education within the church and extending into the community. Chapter by chapter it ought to be presented to teachers' and officers' meetings.

This is a bracing, affirmative book. It gives confidence in the work of education. It helps us regain the passion of the Biblical centuries for a people trained in God's way and walking in God's light. It leads us into opposition to that education which fastens upon fragments of experience. Knowledge is of long range. Hope is deeply rooted in history. The Bible is more than incidental to teaching. Goodness is still of God.

Selected and reviewed by:
Maurice W. Fogle

OREGON CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

—By Edna L. Burke

The first six months of our missionary year have gone by rapidly. We had hoped that every organization would reach at least one half of its goals in membership, World Calls, and offering. Some did not make it. Congratulations to the groups that did! The next six months with Schools of Missions, planning conferences, district conventions and other special activities, everyone will be very busy. Christ's business is the most important business in the world; so none of us should be satisfied with anything less than the best in our work, giving, reporting and program building. Let's pick up the slack and go over the top June 30.

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For the benefit of people who may not know, the sources of missionary support under the United Christian Society are as follows: offerings 59.58%; receipts, foreign fields 16.06%; receipts, home missions institutions 5.97%; interest, royalties, miscellaneous 12.33%; annuities and bequests 2.01%; special funds 4.05%.

Channels of missionary service are as follows: foreign missions 46.27%; home missions 24.68%; Christian education 14.55%; service department 8.55%; administration 4.09%; audio-visual services .83%; men's work 1.01%.

Your missionary dollar, given in 1953-54 through churches, church schools, missionary organizations, and individuals, was worth $1.42 in actual work done, exclusive of all administrative and promotional costs.

The stretching of your missionary dollar was made possible by the offerings from the mission fields, interest on investments, royalties and available special funds, and careful administrative procedures.

Because The United Christian Missionary Society is a corporate organization, it is able to receive permanent funds and bequests and also issue annuities. As a result of the confidence placed in the work of the Society by donors over a period of years, during 1953-54 the interest of these funds, together with royalties, almost equaled the cost of administration, promotion, and operation.

All financial records of The United Christian Missionary Society are audited annually by a Certified Public Accountant, approved by the Board of Managers, reporting to the International Convention, reviewed by the Committee on Recommendations, and presented to the general assembly for final acceptance.

It is a well known fact that the value of a missionary dollar has depreciated just as much, and in many cases more than the dollar which is used to support the local. Because of this, the problem of maintaining our present work on a high level and at the same time entering new fields where opportunities are great is becoming increasingly acute.

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A recent announcement brings news of the arrival on December 6, at the Del and Martha Troxell home in Tokyo, Japan, of a baby daughter, Rebecca Carol, their second child. Martha is the daughter of Kenneth and Grace Hendricks. The Troxells went to Japan as missionaries shortly after the Portland convention in 1953.

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Holiday greetings from your representatives on the field, the missionaries, have been pouring in. On their behalf and according to their request, love and best wishes come from them to all of you. They appreciate the many prayers, gifts, greeting cards, and other manifestations of your affection and interest.

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I want to say a few words on my own behalf. You will never know how your "get well" and Christmas cards, dozens of them, have meant to me since it has been necessary for me to be out of circulation on account of a broken bone in my right foot. One of these days I expect to be as "good as new". Thank you every one. The state CWF Board joins me in wishing for you a very happy new year. May the rich blessings of our Heavenly Father abide with you always.

Dr. Warren Grafton, outstanding Brotherhood minister from the Central Woodward Christian Church, Detroit, Michigan, is scheduled for a series of lectures in Portland, beginning January 9, as part of the Diamond Jubilee of the First Christian Church. Other guest speakers during the Jubilee are Dr. E. K. Higdon of the U.C.M.S. and Dr. Gaines M. Cook of Indianapolis.

DIAMOND JUBILEE FOR FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN PORTLAND

January 1955 is the month of months for First Christian Church, Portland! Seventy five years ago a small group of Christian people met for the first time as a congregation in a rented hall on the muddy corner of First and Madison in the still-pioneer city of Portland. The rent for the hall was $1.50 per month and their first part-time minister received less than twenty dollars, but there was faith and purpose there and soon the church began to grow. These pioneers of the church will be honored and remembered in the services of the month and throughout the year.

The congregation and the Diamond Jubilee Committee headed by Mr. Earl Bland have been engaged for months in plans to make the year of 1955 outstanding in the 75 year history of the church. In commemorating the 75 years of service to Portland and the Disciples of Christ, First Church will take another great step forward in the expansion plans for a $200,000 Educational Building.

Believing that spiritual growth is the foundation of every program of expansion, the elders of the Church created a lectureship, inviting Dr. Warren Grafton, outstanding Brotherhood minister from the Central Woodward Christian Church, Detroit, Michigan, for a series of lectures which began Sunday evening, January 9, and continued through the following Thursday. Brotherhood Churches of the Portland area were invited to participate.

The Diamond Jubilee Committee also scheduled by Dr. E. K. Higdon of the U.C.M.S. to be speaker on Brotherhood Day, January 16; Mr. William T. Pearcy, Director of Expansion Fund, as speaker for 'kick off' dinner of Expansion drive, January 21; and Dr. Gaines M. Cook as speaker for the Victory Dinner planned for January 26. An 'old fashioned' Tea was held by the Christian Women's Fellowship, Sunday afternoon of January 9, with many of the women of the church appearing in the dresses of yesteryear. Dr. Cole was in his own pulpit on Homecoming Sunday, January 9 to welcome many friends and former members of the Church from out of the city.

Besides Dr. Myron Cole, pastor of the church, leaders of the Diamond Jubilee are Mr. James Warren, associate pastor; Mr. Hugh Elliot, Chairman of Official Board; Mr. Lyle Nosler, Chairman of the Expansion Committee; and Mr. George Clausen, Chairman of Elders' Lectureship Committee.

Lets Collect
Gods Unpaid Bills
Church Income per day
per Christian Adventist 45¢
Church Income per day
per Christian Disciple 9¢
Disciples Income Short per day
per Christian 36¢
One Oregon Christian Church
has an income per day per
Christian of 23¢
Oregon average is 9¢
Lets during 1955 raise Church
Income an average of 14¢
per day per Christian
Local Program:
Present budget per Christian per day 7½¢
Lets increase this during 1955 by 7¢
Lets make budget in 1955 14½¢

Challenge to accelerated evangelistic endeavor, a vital part of "Close the Switch" program, was presented by Dr. Carroll C. Roberts (right), minister of First Christian Church at Eugene, and Harry V. Atkins, minister at Dufur. Twenty thousand new church members by 1960 are expected in Disciple churches in Oregon under "Close the Switch" program. Plans call for establishing 36 new congregations in the next 6 years and strengthening existing churches by a development fund for renovation, modernization, and expansion.

A. W. Mortensen
Chairman of State Board
Leader of "Close the Switch" presentation

Orville F. Mick, minister at Dallas, (right), and Wayne Green, minister at First Christian Church, Salem, set forth the Stewardship aims of the "Close the Switch" program, amounting to an increase of over two million dollars in church income in 1955. A three-step method for achieving the aims, including a new financing plan, a new organization, and a continuous action program, was explained. Step one calls for elimination of multitudinous collections; step two calls for the adoption of "God's financing plan"; step three calls for creation of local stewardship committees to shepherd new church members in their stewardship growth. The State Board will aid local churches in setting up and training these committees in procedure, will furnish suggested wording for contacts, phone calls, letters, and will provide stationery, charts, and supplies.

Dates for the 1955 State Convention at Turner, Oregon, and promise of a nationally outstanding speaker were among the "Close the Switch" points announced by Donald L. Helseth, minister at Corvallis, and chairman of the Convention Program Committee. Goal of the Convention, to be held June 29 — July 3, is "Each Church Participating" in attendance (with a registrar in each local congregation) and in reporting progress. Awards are planned for the congregation with outstanding achievements.

Lyle Nosler (left), State Treasurer, and Charles Addleman, Executive Secretary, set forth the needs for the State Office under the "Close the Switch" program and described the present services to Brotherhood churches.

Walter L. Lantz (at microphone) explained the part which the Commission on Education has in the "Close the Switch" program. Others in the picture are (left to right) Donald B. Payne, pastor at Pendleton; Clarence Fuqua, Chairman of C.Y.F. Committee; and Mrs. Donald Ross, Chairman of Chi Rho Committee. Other committee members on stage but just outside the camera range were Mrs. William Siefke, Mrs. Marjorie Moshier, Ernest Worden, Marion Nilsson, Mrs. Lynette Rhay, and Mrs. Oma Lou Myers.

GOALS IN "CLOSE THE SWITCH" PROGRAM ARE REVEALED AT EUGENE MEETING

Eugene, January 10, 1955. "Close the Switch" was the challenge, as A. W. Mortensen, president of the State Board, supported by a large staff of co-workers, led in presenting the new program of the Oregon Christian Missionary Convention. In the packed sanctuary of the First Christian Church at Eugene, well over 300, representing 81 churches, responded to the challenge by a standing pledge to carry the program to their home churches for the approval of the local congregations.

The "Close the Switch" program was graphically set forth by a battery of giant turnover charts, centered under floodlights. While some of the workers stood by to turn the pages, other explained the features with the aid of stationary and portable microphones.

First among the "Close the Switch" features is an accelerated evangelistic program in Oregon, looking for 5500 new members in 1955, 20,000 new members by 1960; 5 new congregations in 1955, 36 new congregations in the coming six years; a developing fund of $250,000 per year for six years for a total of one and a half million. The second, and key, feature is the stewardship goal of three and a half million dollars—combined income of all churches in 1955—which amounts to an increase of two million dollars. Half of this increase is to go into the local church purses, half to go into world outreach avenues. A third feature, advanced by the newly created World Outreach Committee, proposes the addition of thirty fully supported missionaries in 1955.

Bringing the day's events to a climax, Dr. A. Dale Fiers, president of United Christian Missionary Society, gave the evening address. While he spoke, Dr. Fiers illustrated his points with enlargements of photographs taken on his recent 30,000 mile tour to inspect the 43 foreign mission stations of the Society.

The audience, which filled every seat in the sanctuary, warmly applauded the speaker, then united in reading the "Call to Prayer" from the "Close the Switch" Prayer Guide, by way of benediction.

SIDELIGHTS OF "CLOSE THE SWITCH" MEETING

Donald Helseth announced that all churches which elect to participate in the program of "Close the Switch" will be given a flag with the symbol of the closed switch pictured on it. ★★★ The dining facilities of the Eugene church were severely taxed by the crowd. With room for only 311, the dining room was soon filled by out-of-town guests. Eugene residents, having been urged to eat at home, released considerable space, but many registrants still could not be accommodated. ★★★ Bob Mulkey, Dayton pastor, took the pictures appearing on this page. ★★★ A remarkable variety of aids for those who are working to "Close the Switch" is available, including a book which duplicates all the material presented in the charts at Eugene. Many of these books were sold at the meeting; additional copies may be ordered from the State Office. ★★★ A Prayer Guide, summarizing the aims of "Close the Switch" was distributed prior to the devotional which concluded the afternoon presentation. ★★★

Mrs. C. C. Smith of Eugene, whose committee prepared the Prayer Guide, led the devotional periods.

So numerous were the participants in the program, the spacious choir loft of the Eugene church came in handy to provide seating for them until their turn came to go to the platform. Following is a partial list of those not already mentioned. C. L. Price of Hillsboro, Mrs. E. C. Gilbert of Corvallis, Mrs. Lynn R. Neale of Silverton, and Ralph Bailey of Bend are members of the new World Outreach Committee, of which Hugh Elliott is chairman; Mrs. Russell Adams of Corvallis and Miss Loma Mae Jones of Portland are new members of the Education Commission. Earl Feike of Portland assisted Donald Helseth with the Convention Program chart.

Charles Addleman revealed that the State Office mails out 710 letters and 2200 copies of **The Oregon Christian** each month. ★★★ The permanent fund of the State Board now amounts to $25,000, and $19,000 of this sum is out on loan to 11 groups. ★★★ Sixty-six Christian churches in Oregon give no support to the State Office. One-half cent per member per day, contributed by each Oregon Christian, would adequately support the administrative expense of the expanded State program as proposed in the "Close the Switch" campaign. Today, if all Oregon Christians contributed, one-third cent per day per member would maintain the present program.

As an aid to accelerated evangelistic endeavor, "Close the Switch" includes provision for billboard advertising, radio and television advertising, and "sales teams" to "sell" the church to the community door to door.

AT LEFT: Interior of Corvallis Christian House with OSC students at Christmas program. Rev. and Mrs. Lawrence Porter are at the rear of the room. ABOVE: Students and the Porters (right foreground) on front porch of Corvallis Christian House.

NEWS OF THE CHRISTIAN HOUSES

—By Lawrence Porter

The Staff of Christian House at Corvallis and at Eugene are looking forward to a great new year as they work to take care of students, to win and hold them to the church, and to help them train for Christian work so they will be more able to take places of leadership in their home churches when their college days are over. It is a sad picture to see a young person go to college and get a good education in many fields while his religion remains on the high school level. If we forget our students while they are away at college, can we be surprised if some of them forget the church? The greatest opportunity for evangelism and missionary work in America is on our college campuses.

Among the new ventures at Christian House in Corvallis has been the organization of married students, who are planning regular meetings for fellowship and study. Another is the meeting of members of the staff of Oregon State College who attend or belong to the Christian church. There are 35 on the staff at Corvallis who belong to this group. This group is having its first meeting the night of January 6th.

The young people have requested a new Bible study class on Tuesday night. They are going to study the **Unfolding Drama of the Bible,** by Bernhard W. Anderson. Lawrence Porter, Minister to Students, who also teaches the Sunday morning class, will teach this course.

Plans are being made for a retreat to be held at Suttle Lake, where there will be time for study and plans for the future work and skiing on the side.

Five groups at Corvallis Christian House are preparing devotionals to be broadcast over K.O.A.C. beginning January 24 and ending January 28, each night at 9:45. Listen in and hear your own young people.

Last month the Christian Student Commission at Corvallis sponsored a dinner to raise $1,000 for Christian House. Mr. Frank Kinney, of Eugene, an old friend of Christian House, offered to give a fine lot to the Corvallis Commission if it would raise 1,000. The lot is valued at 1,000. Nine hundred dollars have beeen raised and all feel sure the balance will soon be in. This will be a great help in the effort to pay off the loan of $7,000 against Corvallis Christian house.

It is hoped that many churches over the state will put the work of Christian Houses in their budgets. Money sent to Virgil Cameron, care of First National Bank at Eugene, will be divided equally between the two houses.

STATE PROGRAM TO BE PRESENTED IN DISTRICTS

Following the state-wide meeting of January 10 in Eugene the new state program is to be carried to each district. This presentation will be presented in streamline fashion at an evening dinner meeting. The schedule is as follows: Northwest District, January 18, at the Mallory Avenue Church, Portland; Southern Oregon District, January 25, place to be announced; Southwest Oregon District, February 1, place to be announced; Willamette District, February 8, at Silverton; Mid-Columbia District, February 15, at The Dalles; Central Oregon District, February 22, at Bend; and Eastern Oregon District, March 8, place to be announced. It is very important that every church in the district be well represented by all the leadership in the church.

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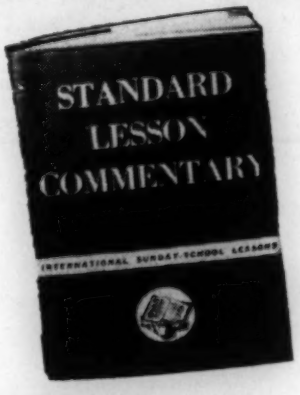

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This family of eight, refugees from Albania, was among the first seventy European refugees who have arrived in the United States under the Refugee Relief Act which permits 209,000 to enter by the end of 1956. Coming from a refugee camp in Greece, this family has come to join an uncle in America. The elder son (right) first escaped from Albania later returning to rescue members of his family. He was, however, unable to aid his mother and another brother who are in an Albanian concentration camp.

MISTAKES DO HAPPEN AT CHURCH!

At the preaching rally held recently at the Milwaukie Church, Brother L. W. Myers of the Turner Memorial Home lost his top coat. Someone by mistake took his coat and left one a little too small for Mr. Myers. If "thou art the man", please get in contact with Mr. Myers, Box 183, Turner, Oregon. Mr. Myers states his coat had a white handkerchief in the pocket, while the coat left has a pair of dark gloves in the pocket. If you see a man going around with his hands wrapped in a white handkerchief instead of wearing gloves, just remind him where he can find his gloves.

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ALBANY: Walter Lantz was speaker at December Worker's Conference. Busy Christmas season, with special candlelight service, carols and tableau, and an evening service of music by the Senior and Junior choirs. Two added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Lester Jones, minister. **ASHLAND:** 30 added since Aug.1. Have purchased property next to present location as site for new educational building. 275 in Bible School, December 26. Paul Creel, supt. Three added by baptism, 6 otherwise. O. W. Herbison, minister.

BEAVERTON: 68 additions this year, 25 of these by baptism. Nearly half of these additions have come in last 3 months. Plans are complete for a teachers' training course in January and February. This Church will be host to the District 90 and 9 meeting in January. Five added by baptism, 3 otherwise. Thomas Courtney, minister. **BURNS:** Income of the Burns Church for the month of Dec.: Current expense fund, $730.83; Bible School offerings, including special Christmas offering for Beaverton home, $247; State missions, $171.40; Special gift for John Day Church, $120.49; toward Willie White meeting (May 1955) $42; N.C.C. Library fund, $105; toward new educational plant, $253.61; Marian Weare memorial fund, $100; Mel Byers fund, $2.65. Total income for December, $1772.98. Burns Church believes in Christian stewardship. Two added by baptism. L. B. Fishback, minister.

CRABTREE: Minister Martin Torrence has accepted a call to the church at Payette, Idaho, beginning Jan. 15, 1955. Work is progressing on a new two-bedroom parsonage. **CULVER:** Building, 36 feet by 72 feet, begun. Roof is on and floor is ready to be poured. Four added by baptism. Ase Rice, minister. **DETROIT:** Christmas program, held at evening service, December 19, included singing by Junior and High School departments; special music by the church pianist, Mrs. Skidmore; a reading by "Sleepy" Summers; and a film, "Guiding Star". Treats for all from Santa Claus (Stan) White. Don Summers, student minister.

EUGENE-ALLISON PARK: Church has approved year's program of evangelism, stewardship, and building. Physical improvements progressing. New cross on building, sign on road, and posts along front of property. One added by baptism. George V. Bever, minister.

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ENGENE - FIRST:The Christmas activities were many, with the Church Choir rendering a very lovely program of Christmas music, a Christmas pageant, "There's a Song in the Air," designed to portray in "living pictures" the Nativity. At the close of the pageant worshippers came forward to present their "White gifts for the King," cans of food or fruit which were sent to the Beaverton Home. Mitten and Sox tree yielded 245 pairs of woolen mittens and 176 pairs of socks, which are already on the way to Korea. Numerous groups, adults, youth and children remembered the shut-in folk with boxes of fruit, cookies, candy and caroling. The youth presented the Nativity scene, Dec. 22 and 23, on the front church yard, where it was viewed by hundreds of interested folk. Two added by statement. Carroll C. Roberts, minister.

EUGENE - NORKENZIE CHRISTIAN: Purchase of 6-acre plat of ground on Norkenzie Lane almost completed. Hope to start building in the next year, in this area of great potential. Five added by transfer. Gordon R. Gibbs, minister.

FLORENCE: Concluded Bible School contest on attendance and Bible reading. Two members, Wayne and Beulah Brooks read the entire Bible three times in the seven weeks the contest was in progress. Goal for the last day was 200 and there were 213 in attendance. Evangelistic meeting with J. Frank Cunningham beginning Jan. 23 and continuing through Feb. 6. C. Wayne Osborne, minister. **GRESHAM:** Shortly after first anniversary of Church, officers were elected and Church board was set up and the process of establishing functional committees was begun. Almost full support is given to a native missionary worker in Okinawa. Clifford Bethune, minister.

HARRISBURG: Christmas program was presented the evening of Dec. 19, with the Northwestern Christian Home of Beaverton as the setting and several of the older people of the local congregation taking part. Gifts for the Home were presented by the classes and members of the congregation. On Dec. 19 and 23, the young people re-enacted the birth of Christ in an outdoor scene under fluorescent lighting, with live animals on the scene. Two added by baptism. Vernon H. Woods, reporter.

HEPPNER: "Full Life Stewardship" campaign is to be followed by an evangelistic campaign at Easter. Earl L. Soward will complete his fourth year as pastor on July 1. **HOLLEY:** Average attendance is now at 100. Christmas program, Dec. 19, with approximately 150 present. Ten added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Bud Grogan, minister.

LAKE GROVE: In Bible School contest with Sellwood, the losing church is to provide a spaghetti dinner after Jan. 1. Bible School is growing steadily. Average attendance for past 6 weeks is over 60. Christmas program was presented Sunday evening, Dec. 19, included a baptismal service, film strip of the Christmas story, and treats. Two added by baptism, 5 otherwise. David Vanarsdall, reporter.

LEBANON: Have purchased property next door to the church for $7500. The house will be left standing now, but will eventually be torn down and the corner landscaped. There have been from 1 to 8 additions every Lord's Day but one since Oct. 1. Five added by baptism, 6 otherwise. L. O. White, pastor. **LORANE:** 10 added by baptism, 20 by confession, 7 rededications. There were the results of a meeting just finished with Evangelist Larry Baird. Attendance, Dec. 12, was 122. Martin Lee, minister.

MADRAS: Held watch night party New Year's eve in our new basement. Classes met for the first time in the basement rooms, Jan. 2. An all-time high attendance for Bible School, 163, was reached Nov. 21 and Dec. 12. This excepts Easter. Two added by baptism. R. W. Gardner, minister. **McMINNVILLE:** Young people raised $267.50 for purchase of large neon sign for exterior of church. Dedication services directed by the Young People, Jan. 2, 1955. E. A. Parrish, minister.

MILL CITY: James Stock of Sweet Home has served as week-end minister since the third week of Minister Jull's enforced absence. Attendance is well above last year. Christmas offering for benevolence was over $80. Christmas program held evening of Dec. 19. C.W.F. sent several boxes of used clothing to Korea and McKinley Indian mission. Hugh Jull, minister.

MILTON-FREEWATER: Sunday, Dec. 5, was "John Day Sunday," with a $335 offering given to assist the John Day Church. Dec. 19, choir presented cantata, "The Child of Bethlehem," at the evening service. At the Bible School Christmas program, Dec. 22, the Young People sponsored white gifts for McKinley Indian mission. Congo Circle and Dorcas class of Bible School sent a Christmas card and a $1 bill to each member of Northwestern Christian Home at Beaverton. Young people conducted evening services, Dec. 5, at Athena Christian Church. Nov. 30 - Dec. 3, all-day classes were held for teachers of city-wide child evangelism program. Prayerful planning is being made for the campaign to be held Feb. 20-27 with Al Tiffin of the University Christian Church of Los Angeles. Friendship calling is already in progress. N.C.C. students conducted evening worship, Dec. 26, with Norman Mayberry preaching. Various groups of church bring cheer to a local convalescent home, with singing and devotionals each week. Ladies canned 75 quarts of applesauce for Helping Hand Room. Apples donated by a local cannery. One added by transfer. Irene Warner, reporter.

NORTH BEND: Good attendance at work parties every Tuesday to finish first unit of new church. Standing room only

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for Christmas Bible School program. Young people went caroling, with chili feed at church afterwards. Joint missionary program, with evening group presenting pageant on universal motherhood. Two baskets given needy. Meeting at church with district president, Walter Naff, presenting talk and slides on "Close the Switch." Pastor Clyde Blakley recently elected President of North Bend Ministerial Association. Mr. Blakley acted as instructor at "World Fellowship Youth Meet" at Grants Pass. Sunday evening, Dec. 26, youth recognition service, with talks from young men of the church, home for the holidays from college and the armed forces. A presentation of tuition for next term made to N.C.C. student. Four added by statement. Mrs. Charles Dennis, publicity chairman.

OAKRIDGE: Since opening ministry in June, 15 have been added, 9 by statement and 6 by baptism. Average Bible School attendance for 1954, 140, an increase of 8 over the year before. Three active youth groups. William Hall, missionary speaker on Woman's Day. Large part of missionary budget going to Oregon State missions and United Society. Sixty-two voice choir presented Christmas concert (Miss Doris Renzema, director) in the grade school auditorium because church was unable to accommodate the crowd. E. C. Hawkins, minister. **OREGON CITY:** Splended revival and rally of youth held during November. Some of the largest crowds in years here. Brother Phillips and Brother Chamberlain led in two-weeks effort. Plans are ready for new building, to be started Mar. 1. Will tear down present structure which we have used for 28 years. Will lengthen building to 92 feet. Sanctuary will seat approximately 450. Four added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Howard Hutchins, minister.

PORTLAND - KERN PARK: Life-sized presentation of Christmas story on the Church lawn has created much interest from the public. Church continues with its weekly church-night program. Three added by baptism, 11 otherwise. **PORTLAND - SELLWOOD:** Completed a six month attendance contest with Lake Grove Church of Christ's Sunday School with a 15% increase achieved in attendance. Church attendance increased about 25% in 1954. We are making plans to relocate in the area and to build a new church. Four added by baptism, 10 by transfer. Robert Clevenger, pastor.

PORTLAND - SOUTHEAST: Christmas Sunday Bible School attendance of 253. Christmas Sunday evening we presented the play entitled, "Christmas Miracle." The average Bible School attendance for the month was 205. One added by statement. Gene Chamberlain, pastor.

PRINEVILLE: Installed automatic gas furnace last week of December. Alva Ferebee, minister.

ROSEBURG - FIRST: Host to a School for Elders, Dec. 10-11. Another one is planned for this spring. Dr. Ross J. Griffeth, Professor William Richardson, both of N.C.C., and Harold V. Johnson, Jr. of Eugene spoke on Friday evening. Elton Fishback from Klamath Falls, Art Winslow from Coquille, and Wallace Jones of Myrtle Point spoke on Saturday evening. Five added by baptism, 8 otherwise. Newell Morgan, minister. **ROSEBURG - WESTSIDE:** One confession since last report. Christmas offering for benevolence, $55, and offering for family whose home burned, $50. Harry E. Chapin, pastor.

ST. HELENS: 36 additions in 1954, 23 baptisms. Record average in Bible School of 200. Kern Park Church C.W.F. entertained 14 of our folk, both men and women, with a pre-Christmas program, No. 29. Bible School attendance 220, Christmas Sunday. Children presented Christmas play, "A Gift for the Christ Child". White gifts and offering for Northwestern Christian Home and jello for White Swan Indian Mission by Children's Dept. Fred Brandenfels, a student at N.C.C., was guest minister for evening service, Dec. 26. R. L. Putnam, minister. **SALEM-LIBERTY:** 183 in Sunday School on Christmas Sunday. Choir presented cantata, "Carol of the Bells," directed by Mrs. Lynne Sipe. Senior youth presented play, "As We Forgive," on Dec. 23. Juniors presented playlet, "How Silently," on evening of Dec. 26. New class for college-age adults is growing steadily, with 29 in attendance on Dec. 19. This class has challenged the "Homebuilders" to a membership contest. Five added by baptism. Wayne Bryant, minister. **VAUGHN:** B. Ross Evans will be here, Jan. 2-9. We have been calling and advertising meeting this month. Christmas program held Sunday evening, Dec. 19. Young people went to Walton Sunday evening, Dec. 26, to Singspiration. Men have the hall paneled and varnished and one new classroom paneled. Have had to divide adult Sunday School class. Herman Johnson, pastor.

CARLTON: Roof repairs completed. Had a successful Christmas program. Active members are working very hard. One added by baptism. Gene Polf, minister. Coquille: Five members of C.W.F. recently attended Area workshop in Springfield; youth activities increasing; 18 attended World Fellowship meet in Grants Pass; Christmas program saw largest attendance in recent years with White Christmas offerings of $63.27 and 5 cartons of gifts. Don Farr reports that 1954 was the best stewardship year in history of church. Missionary giving increased 27.5% over last year; over $17,000 was received toward the new building, which will be occupied sometime in January. One added by baptism. Walter Naff, minister.

CORVALLIS: "Christmas Oratorio" by Saint-Saens was given by the Choir under the direction of Professor Thomas E. Roberts at the evening service, Dec. 19. In the evening of December 22, the Church School presented its Christmas program including a pageant, white gifts, and an offering for the Northwestern Christian Home at Beaverton. A candlelight service was held early Christmas eve. Woman's Day speaker was Mrs. E. C. Gilbert, local member and first vice-president of the State C.W.F. C.W.F. sent several boxes of clothing and Christmas gifts to the children at the White Swan Indian mission. Donald L. Helseth, minister.

ELGIN: 2 added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Lester Wells, pastor. **ELKTON:** Helped in the Community Christmas program, which was held in the high school gym to accommodate the crowd. Out of a choir of 20, the Christian church was represented by 12. The choir director and pianist were from the church, also. One added by baptism. Phillip Ryan, pastor.

PORTLAND - ENGLEWOOD: Seventy new members came into our fellowship, Dec. 26: 30 by baptism and 40 by statement. Clay J. Pomeroy, minister. **VERNONIA:** Carried through a fine visitation -evangelism program under the leadership of Dallas Meserve of Parkrose. Additions for the fall numbered 8 by baptism, 4 otherwise. Beautiful Christmas program presented before full house. Thirty-eight young people following their annual custom went caroling, visited some 26 homes, returned to the church for traditional chili feed and fellowship time. Ervin F. Leake, minister. **CURTIN COMMUNITY:** We are growing as much as can be expected, for it is a community which needs Christ, but Christianity is new to the people.

FRANKLIN: Church is busy making up Christmas baskets for the needy in the community and giving assistance to the National Benevolent Association. The annual Sunday School Christmas program consisted of recitations, carols, and the play, "Why Christmas?" Young people caroled to the community while enjoying a hayride with the singing. Watch night party to be held New Year's Eve at the church. One addition by confession, two by statement. Gerald F. Sawyer, minister.

NORTH PLAINS: Needed- Hymn books in good condition. "Hymns of Praise," No. 1-2, combined. Write Christian Church, Box 4. Minister John Myers moved into the new parsonage in December. Six added by baptism, 1 otherwise. **PENDLETON:** C. W. F. conducted evening service, Dec. 5. Budget of $13,733 adopted for the new year. Excellent program of Christmas music presented by the choir on Dec. 19. One added by baptism, two otherwise. Donald Payne, minister.

PORTLAND - FIRST: Four added by baptism, ten otherwise. Myron C. Cole, pastor. **SPRINGFIELD:** Choir presented cantata, "There Were Shepherds," on Dec. 12, directed by G. W. Kistler. De-

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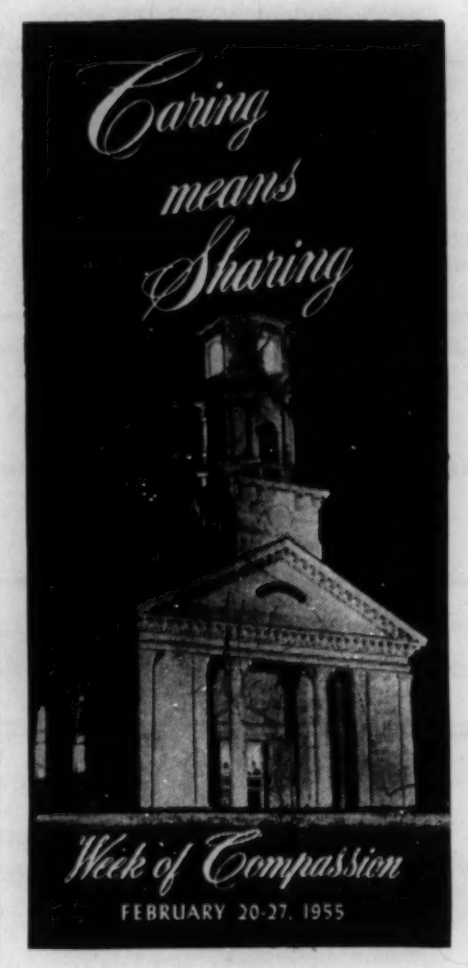
partmental Christmas program presented, Dec. 19. Masonic Lodge 171 were special guests on Dec. 26. Dec. 3-4, we entertained the Western Oregon World Fellowship Youth Meet with a total of 119 registered. Three added by baptism, 8 otherwise. Ernest S. Worden, minister.

THURSTON: Sunday school attendance drive very successful. Attendance average nearly doubled in three months. Large fireplace installed in new church parlor. Charles Richards, minister. **TILLAMOOK:** Polio scare has cut into Sunday School attendance. Two Sunday evenings given to Christmas pageant supported by capacity attendance. Dr. Royal J. Dye to be with us for a week of Stewardship Revival, Jan 9-14. Eight added by baptism. Aldis Webb, pastor.

YAMHILL: Outdoor Nativity scene awarded first prize in local contest. Minister will attend Preachers' Parliament. Brother Addleman and Brother Swander will be guests for annual meeting, Jan. 9. Brother J. Frank Cunningham will hold an evangelistic meeting, Mar. 6-20. Two added by statement. Robert S. Kuykendall, minister.



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By Jack Naff

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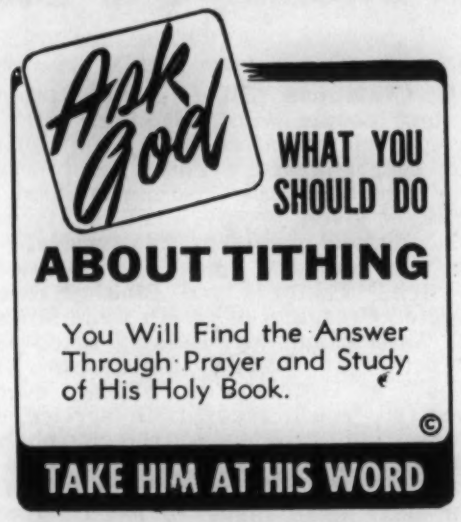
His right hand bore His son,
Surrounded by the saints we know
Who've seen the victory won;
I asked my God with fearful heart
Above the trembling sky,
Will there be room for one like me
Within thy mansion high?
Before this righteous God above
My sins were plain to see,
He said, "My Son, you'll have to wait,
That's what you said to me!"

CORRECTION

Apologies are due to John Stone, Minister at Canby, whose picture in the December issue was erroneously identified as "John J. Jones."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The church at The Dalles voted by a very large majority to restore the original name "The First Christian Church." A few years ago the name was changed to the Court Street Church of Christ. Russell Myers began his ministry with this church on January 1.

Evangelist Lawrence Baird reports 20 confessions of faith in the meeting held at Lorane, where Martin Lee, Jr., is pastor. He further reports that in a week of meetings at Phoenix there were two confessions of faith.

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